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1615

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8,

1. Submission required under 37 CFR §1.114

a. Previously submitted

- i. Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR §1.116 previously filed on herewith 1/10/ 2003
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).

- ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____

- iii. Other _____

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- i. Amendment/Reply iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) iv. Other _____

2. Miscellaneous

- a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR §1.103(c) for a period of _____ months (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR§1.17(i) required)

- b. Other

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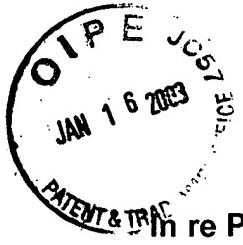
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL-37 C.F.R. 116

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 10, 2002, Applicants submit the following Amendments. Claims 1, 5, and 12-30 are under consideration. Reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the following points.

IN THE CLAIMS

Amend the following claims:

1. A formulation for application to a mucosal tissue selected from the group consisting of nasal, ophthalmic, oral cavity, gastrointestinal, respiratory, vaginal and rectal, the formulation comprising
- (a) a biologically active agent selected from the group consisting of antibiotic, antiviral agent, antifungal agent, disinfectant, nutrient, anti-inflammatory agent, local anesthetic and essential oil; and